
The John Farman Intensive Care Unit

Welcome to the John Farman Intensive Care Unit

Patients who require very intensive treatment, close monitoring and frequent nursing care, either after major surgery or as a consequence of serious injury or illness, are cared for in special wards called intensive care units. They are often abbreviated to ICUs.

The John Farman ICU (JVF ICU) has 11 intensive care beds and three high dependency beds. It has particular expertise in the care of patients who have diseases of the liver, kidney, blood or following major surgery.

Contact Details:

ICU direct line: 01223 217474

Directions and Travel:

- The JVF ICU is located on D3, which is on level three of the main hospital. From the main concourse, cross the link corridor (passing the hairdressers on your left) and take a lift to level three (or stairs next to them). Turn left out of the lift /stairs on level three and ward D3 is through the first set of double doors on your right.
- If you are likely to be hospitalised for two weeks or more, your visitors can get a discounted parking ticket from the main reception. This allows you to exit from the car parks for 14 consecutive days from the day you validate the ticket.

Staff:

If you would like to find out 'who's who' on the ward, please see the ward notice board. It contains the names and pictures of the staff on the ward.

On your Arrival:

When a patient is admitted to the ICU, they will be seen by a doctor who will examine the patient and decide on the treatment required. It is often necessary to put in lines and carry out various procedures and investigations. It can take anything up to two hours to stabilise a patient following admission to ICU. You may not be able to visit during this time but the nurses will keep you informed while this is happening.

Visiting Hours:

- Apart from during the doctors' ward round you are free to visit at any time.
- You may be asked to wait for a while if procedures or personal care is being carried out.
- As space is limited, we ask that only two visitors are at the bedside at one time.

- Patients in intensive care are not permitted fresh flowers or plants as there is a small risk of infection.
- To help us prevent the spread of any infections, please ask visitors to use the hand rub at the entrance to the ward on arrival and on leaving.

Infection Control:

Addenbrooke's has a number advice leaflets for patients and their visitors about infection control. They can be accessed from the Addenbrooke's website:

<http://www.addenbrookes.org.uk/patientinformation/index.html#i>

If you do not have access to the Internet, please contact PALS on 01223 216756 or extension 2756.

Ward Facilities:

- There is a relative's waiting room adjacent to the unit with a toilet, payphone that can take incoming calls, fridge and a kettle.
- There are a small number of rooms available in the hospital for relatives to stay overnight. Please discuss this with the nursing staff.

Clothing and Laundry:

- Relatives/friends take responsibility for laundering clothes

Who to contact for further advice/questions:

Please contact the nurse in charge of the shift. If you require further information or advice, please contact:

- Siobhan Sykes, Senior Clinical Nurse 01223 216732
- Dr Kevin Gunning Clinical Director JVF ICU 01223 217433
- Please call after 0800, the changeover of nursing staff will be complete by this time.
- To discuss care issues, please contact the nurse in charge or Siobhan Sykes SCN.

Doctor's Ward Rounds:

- The Doctors' ward round usually takes place between 0900 to 1230 every day, including weekends. Visitors will be asked to wait in the waiting room while this is in progress. This is necessary to protect patient confidentiality.
- There is also an afternoon ward round from 1500 to 1630 every day. During the afternoon ward round visitors will be asked to leave while the doctors are seeing the patients in each bay.

Patients are seen by an ICU consultant every day. An appointment can be made for you to speak to one of the consultants if you wish.

If you would like more information about ICU why not visit our website:

<http://www.addenbrookes-icu.org.uk>

This document is also available in other languages, large print and audio format upon request – 01223 216032 or patient.information@addenbrookes.nhs.uk

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Cantonese

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Gujarati

A richiesta questo documento è anche disponibile in altre lingue, a caratteri grandi e in formato audio.

Italian

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Kurdish

درخواست پر یہ دستاویز دیگر زبانوں میں، بڑے حروف کی چھپائی اور سننے والے ذرائع پر بھی میسر ہے۔

Urdu

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